

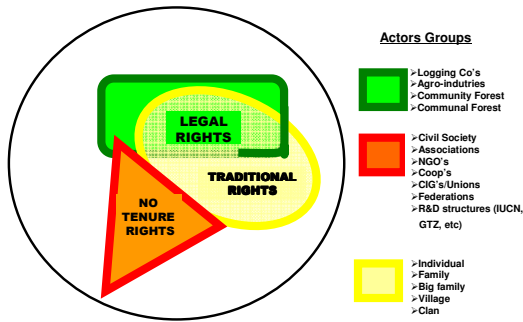
**ALTERNATIVE TENURE &
ENTERPRISE CASE STUDY:
Campo-Ma'an Model Forest
Cameroon**

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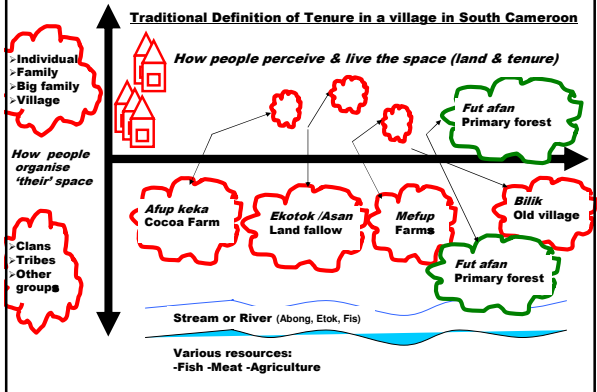
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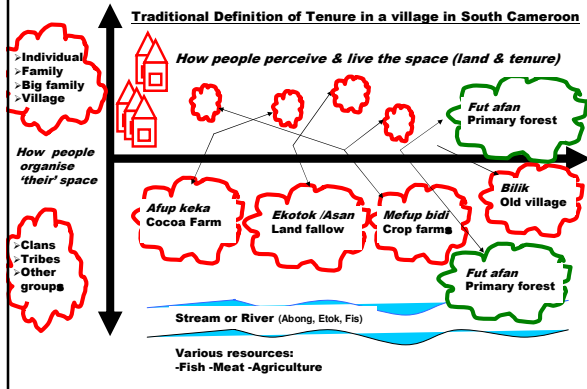
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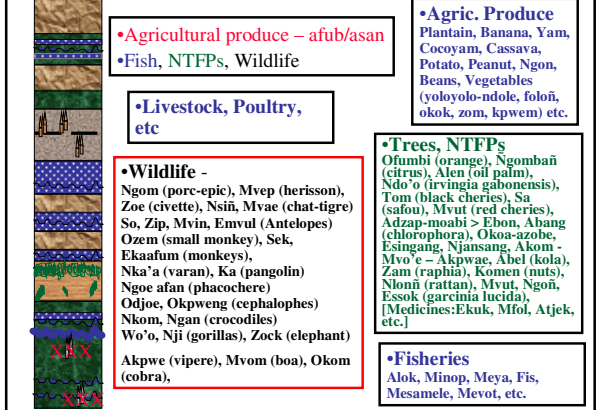
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Schematic structure of Resources



Need to co-develop the multiple values of the environment



III - CONFLICTUAL USERS RIGHTS IN SOUTH CAMEROON FOREST – CAMPO-MA'AN CASE STUDY

- Coexistence and combination of both legal tenure (State, public concessions, private concessions) and traditional tenure (individual, families, villages, clans, tribes, etc.)
- 1996: Tenure Profile of 43 countries: West Africa and Central Africa, The Horn of Africa, Southern Africa (LTC, Univ. de Wisconsin, Madison, Bruce et al., 1998)
- Similar observations throughout the world - Indonesia, Thailand, Nepal, Pacific Islands, etc...

III – 1 - LOCAL COMMUNITIES FACING EXTERNAL ACTORS

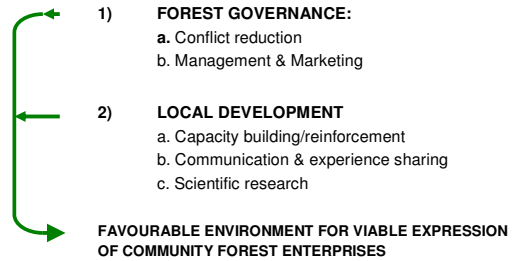
Sources of Conflict:

- **Forest Exploitation:**
 - Forest Royalties (RFA)
 - Land/traditional tenure limitation
 - Threat/destruction of ancestral values
- **Agro-industry:**
 - **Plantations extension – a threat for space reduction**
- **National Parc:**
 - Ban on any activity from the community - conservation
- **Community Forest – management problems:**
 - Weak capacity
 - No knowledge of the timber
 - Insufficient financial expertise

III – 2 – WHICH SOLUTION?

The Model Forest :

A Solution through organisation of local communities and all local actors based on two essential aspects

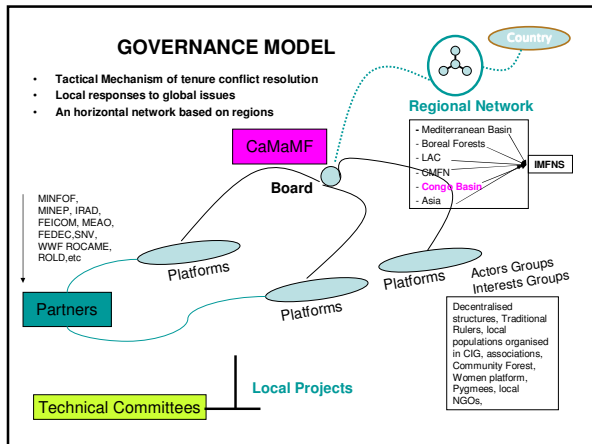


MODEL FOREST : CONCEPT

- **Voluntary partnership of stakeholders of a forest space in view of an integrated development of a multifunctional territory.**
 - **Administration Authorities, Technical & Research Services:**
 - MINOF, MINEP, IRAD, FEICOM, MEAO, FEDEC, etc
 - **Development actors:**
 - Decentralised structures, Traditional Rulers, local populations organised in CIG, associations, Community Forest, women platform, Pygmees, local NGOs, etc
 - **Economic Operators** (Hévécam, Scieb, Socapalm)
 - **Conservation projects and protected areas** (Campo-Ma'an parc)
 - **NGO's and civil society** (ROLD, ROCAME, SNV, WWF, etc)
- **Translates sustainable forest management policies into practice at a wide scale, in the benefit of all stakeholders (from local communities to national and regional structures in charge of policy definition.**
- **Is not a new land use model adding to the existing land distribution scheme (protected areas, community forest, communal forest, forest concessions, national parcs**)
- **Instead, it allows to think & create synergies between existing various uses through voluntary partnerships and locally established governance mechanisms**

MODEL FOREST : APPROACH

- 1) **National Model Forest Initiative:**
 - MINEF, COMIFAC, IUCN, ACDI, CIFOR, IMFN (2002-2007)
 - AMFI (from 2008)
 - **2 pilot sites (2002) of ha 800,000:**
 - Campo-Ma'an (South province)
 - Dja & Mpomo (East province)
 - **Affiliated to IMFN in 2005**
 - **Objective: to build a national network by creating and integrating the other 8 MF on stand-by in Cameroon and organise and put in place an African network:**
 - 2) **AMFI with the aim of facilitating the putting in place of a learning network in the Congo Basin with 5 missions:**
 - Promote partnerships and governance
 - Encourage scientific research
 - Capacity building of various actors on MF management (especially local communities)
 - Communication and networking (experience sharing)
 - Encourage rural economic development
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IV – CONCLUSION - MESSAGE TO ITTO

Subject: Financing of AMFI work plan and projects:

We will be grateful if ITTO could support the Model Forest initiative in Cameroon and the Congo Basin in its mission of integrating all landscape-scale actions in solid governance and local economic development.



Thanks

